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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of )

Cornelis A. T. Willink et al.. )

Serial No. 09/869,632 )

Filed June 28, 2001 )

METHOD FOR REMOVING CONDENSABLES FROM  
A NATURAL GAS STREAM )

Group Art Unit:: 3672

Examiner: William P. Neuder

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Sir:

**PETITION SUSPEND RULES UNDER 35 CFR 1.183 AND IN THE  
ALTERNATIVE, PETITION TO REVIVE AN ABANDONED PATENT  
APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(a)**

Applicant hereby petitions, through his undersigned attorney, that files of the above-identified patent application, and related patent application, 09/869,654 be corrected to reflect that a CPA transmittal under 37 CFR 1.53(d) mailed on May 22, 2003, identifying application 09/869,654 only in the serial number indicated in the header, and otherwise identifying the above identified patent application, be placed in the above identified file, and that prosecution of the above-identified application be continued accordingly.

On May 22, 2003, applicant filed a CPA transmittal for the purpose of having additional art considered, along with a disclosure statement and USPTO 1449. The only error was that the serial number on the header of the form was incorrect, and happen to correspond to a related application, application 09/869,654. The cases have different titles, a different (but overlapping) group of inventors, and different number of claims. On May 22, 2003, a CPA application was also filed for application 09.869,654, and an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO 1449 form was submitted for application 09/869,654 on June 22, 2003. It should have been readily apparent that the serial number on the header of the form was incorrect

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and that the serial number in the body of the form was correct. Although Applicant is not totally without blame for the resulting confusion, Applicant submits that the PTO had numerous opportunities to note that a problem existed and to bring this to Applicant's attention prior to finding application 09/869,832 to have gone abandon. Applicant believes that, as required by 37 CFR 1.183, that this is an extraordinary situation and that justice requires correction.

In the alternative, and if the Commissioner does not grant the above petition, Applicant then requests that the above-identified patent application be revived and reinstated. This application was unintentionally abandoned by failure to respond to a notice of allowance, the entire delay from the date for the reply until the present was unintentional, and that the enclosed copy of the CPA transmittal be placed in the file of Application 09/869,632, along with the Information Disclosure Statement and PTO 1449 form, and that the reference cited therein be considered in continuing prosecution of the above identified patent application.

Please charge the applicable fee of \$130 for the petition under 37 CFR 1.183 to Shell Oil Company, Deposit Account No. 19-1800. If the petition under 37 CFR 1.183 is denied, please charge the applicable fee \$1,330.00 required under 35 CFR 1.17(m) to Shell Oil Company, Deposit Account No. 19-1800.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment CPA form, Information Disclosure Statement and PTO1449, along with references.



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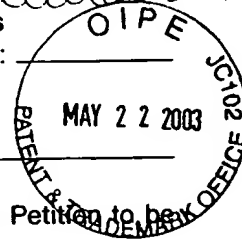
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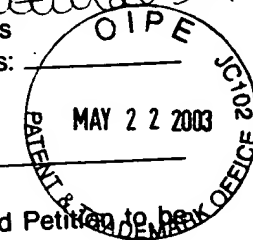
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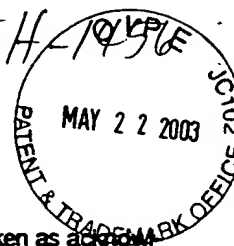


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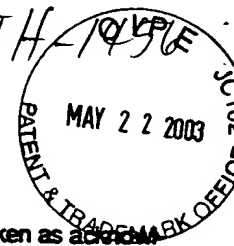
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